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SUBJECT: SEMI-ARID TECH SEMINAR FEB. 20-MARCH 12

1. SUBJECT MISSION MEMBERS BOOKED INTO MODEST BUT CENTRALLY LOCATED HOTEL EXCELSIOR NEXT TO EMBASSY. CONFIRMED NINE SINGLES AND ONE SUITE FOR R.B. WILSON FROM SATURDAY, FEB. 28 THROUGH WEDNESDAY NIGHT MARCH 3 (5 NIGHTS). SEMINAR SCHEDULED FOR . A.M. TO 1 P.M. MORNINGS OF MARCH 1 AND 2 IN HOTEL'S THIRD FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM. ROOMS ADJOINING CONFERENCE CAN BE USED FOR PRIVATE MEETINGS AND AS BIC DURING SEMINAR PERIOD.

2. PROGRAM FOR MISSION MEMBERS AS FOLLOWS:

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 29: ARRIVE KHARTOUM 5 A.M. FROM LAGOS. REST AT HOTEL. 12:30 - 2:30 BRIEFING/BRUNCH AT ECON/COMM. OFFICE, FRED GERLACH'S RESIDENCE. 2:30 - 6 FREE TIME FOR CITY VISITS AND POSSIBLE TOUR OF IRRIGATION PROJECT ON BLUE NILE. EVENING FREE.

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MONDAY, MARCH 1: 8:30 - 1 P.M. SEMINAR. 1 - 6 P.M.

SCHEDULED APPOINTMENTS AND/OR OPEN. 6:30-8:30 P.M.
COCKTAIL-RECEPTION FOR 100 GUESTS FROM PUBLIC AND
PRIVATE DOMAIN HOSTED BY AMBASSADOR AND MRS.
BREWER (TENTATIVE).

TUESDAY, MARCH 2: 8:30 - 1 P.M. SEMINAR. 1 P.M.
THROUGH EVENING, SCHEDULED APPOINTMENTS OR OPEN.
(FOR R.B. WILSON, COURTESY CALLS ON MINISTERS OF
AGRICULTURE AND IRRIGATION, IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING
SEMINAR MONDAY OR TUESDAY.)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3: 8:30 - 2 P.M. SCHEDULED
APPOINTMENTS. FROM 2 P.M. IS OPEN.

THURSDAY, MARCH 4: MISSION DEPARTS FOR NAIROBI AT
9:10 A.M. VIA EC 979.

3. ESTIMATED TOTAL COST OPERATIONS KHARTOUM IS
\$1,328. ESTIMATED HOSPITALITY COST IS \$400.
BREAKDOWN AS FOLLOWS: SUITE FOR 5 DAYS, \$225;
COORDINATOR ROOM, \$110; CONFERENCE ROOM EXCELSIOR
HOTEL FOR TWO DAYS, \$350; EXEC. ASST. (50 HOURS)
\$350; ADDITIONAL TRANSPORT (MAX.), \$200; PRINTING -
SIGNS, ETC., \$40; PHOTOGRAPHER, \$50; TOTAL - \$1,260.
BRUNCH/BRIEFING. \$45; COCKTAIL/RECEPTION, \$250;
REFRESHMENTS FOR SUITE, \$65; POSSIBLE LUNCH(S), 40.
TOTAL, \$400.

4. ENTIRE EMBASSY HAS PROVIDED EXCELLENT SUPPORT
FROM APPOINTMENTS WITH KEY OFFICIALS IN MIN'S
AGRICULTURE, IRRIGATION, FINANCE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS
TO TRANSPORT AND A.V. LOGISTICS AND PUBLICITY.
MINISTRIES OF IRRIGATION AND AGRICULTURE,
NOW INVOLVED IN LARGE SCALE AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT
PLANS, WELCOME MISSION AND PLAN TO ATTEND
SEMINAR WITH OPERATIONAL AND TECHNICAL LEVEL EXPERTS.
COMMENT: MOST OFFICIALS I'VE MET, INCLUDING EMBASSY
STAFF, HAVE EXPRESSED DISAPPOINTMENT THAT A U.S.
HEAVY AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT PRODUCER NOT ON MISSION AS SUDAN
EMBARKING ON MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR PROGRAM TO
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INCREASE FOOD PRODUCTION, MECHANIZATION AND
STANDARDIZATION OF HEAVY AND MEDIUM AG EQUIPMENT.
BUT ALL OFFICIALS ENTHUSIASTICALLY WELCOME SEMINAR
AND MISSION WITH KEEN INTEREST. PARTICULARLY STRONG
INTEREST SHOWN TOWARD HOLLY FARMS, AGRO-TECHNOLOGY
AND M&W PUMP.

5. AS SUGGESTED IN LAGOS 00632, ECON/COMM OFFICER

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OFFICERS CONFERENCE. BERLIND

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